THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the issuance of purchase orders to the vendors listed below to provide various scientific and laboratory supplies as needed beginning July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018 at a total cost not to exceed $375,000.

VENDOR:  
Fisher Scientific Education (Thermo Fisher Scientific)  
485 South Frontage Road  
Burr Ridge, Illinois 60521

VWR International  
100 Matsonford Road,  
Suite 200, Box 6660  
Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087

Ward’s Natural Science  
5100 West Henrietta Road  
P.O. Box 92912  
Rochester, New York 14692-9102

Sargent Welch  
P.O. Box 644286  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15264

USER:  
District Wide

TERM:
The term of the agreement shall commence no sooner than July 1, 2016 and continue through June 30, 2018.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**
The vendors identified above will provide the various scientific equipment, maintenance and supplies to support classroom instruction district wide.

**BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:**
City Colleges of Chicago will benefit from fixed priced, pre-negotiated contracts. It has been determined that is more feasible for the District to leverage the buying power of the purchasing consortium to maximize the economy of scale. The Colleges will have sources available to supply all their required classroom and laboratory supplies for experiments and basic classroom instruction.

**VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:**
Pursuant to Board Report #29816 and #32583, the Board approved the use of the Education and Institutional Cooperative Services (E&I), IPHEC, and US Communities Governmental Purchasing Alliance. Pursuant to State Law, the purchase of goods and services from another governmental agency is exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements.

This competitively awarded contract was based upon RFP #682665, issued by E&I. Ward’s Science and Sargent Welch (a VWR division) was available through Amendment 19 of the E&I VWR Contract CNR-01163. In addition to the great features and benefits of the VWR Contract, members have access to the full line of Ward’s Science products.

This competitively awarded contract was based upon RFP # 15-JL-12 issued by Harford County Public Schools, Maryland as the lead agency on behalf of US Communities Governmental Purchasing Alliance. In addition, IPHEC awarded contract was based on RFP# 1SLE1501.

Member institutions are able to leverage the awarded catalog items and customize supplies to meet their specific institution needs.

**MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:**
The Office of Contract Compliance has reviewed the purchase request referenced above and has determined the Vendors’ compliance with the Board Approved Participation will be reviewed in the aggregate (per vendor) on a quarterly basis.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**
Inspector General- It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General’s authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.
Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year.

FINANCIAL:
Total: $375,000
Charge to: 540000-00003-Various
Sources of Funds: Education Funds
FY17:

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl L. Hyman
Chancellor

October 13, 2016 – Office of Administrative and Procurement Services